In the Claims:

This listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of Claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula (I)

wherein

R^A OH -Ş—C—C—(CR^CR^D)₁₋₃——X I_B I_A and

R⁰ is selected from the group consisting of

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OH R}^{A} \\ -\xi - (CR^{C}R^{D})_{1-3} - C - C - X \\ R^{A} R^{B} \end{array}$$

each R^A and R^B is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁₋₄alkyl;

each R^C and R^D is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^E)_2$, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl; wherein the aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl substituent is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano or $N(R^E)_2$;

each R^{E} is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-4} alkyl;

X is $-NR^1R^2$:

each R^1 and R^2 is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_{1-8} alkyl, C_{1-8} alkoxy, C_{1-8} alkoxycarbonyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, partially unsaturated carbocylyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, ar C_{1-4} alkoxy, -C(O)- C_{1-6} alkyl, -C(O)-aryl, -C(O)-ar C_{1-4} alkyl, -C(O)O-cycloalkyl, and -C(O)O-aryl, -C(O)O-ar C_{1-4} alkyl and -C(O)O-(partially unsaturated carbocyclyl); wherein the C_{1-8} alkyl, cycloalkyl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, aryl or ar C_{1-8} alkyl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, cyano, -C(O)- C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $N(R^E)_2$, $N(R^E)_2$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, $N(R^E)$ - $C(O)C(CH_3)_3$, - C_{1-4} alkyl- $N(R^E)$ -C(O)O- C_{1-4} alkyl and - $N(R^E)$ -C(O)O- C_{1-4} alkyl, aryl, aryloxy, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl, aryl substituted heteroarylaminosulfonyl or C_{1-6} alkylthio;

R³ is aryl; wherein the aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, cyano or N(R^E)₂;

n is an integer from 0 to 2;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C₁₋₄alkyl and hydroxy substituted C₁₋₄alkyl;

m is an integer from 0 to 1;

 L^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl and C_{3-6} alkenyl; wherein the double bond of the C_{3-6} alkenyl group is at least one carbon atom removed from the attachment point to the N atom; and wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{3-6} alkenyl group is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from hydroxy, fluoro, C_{1-6} alkyl, fluorinated C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{1-6} alkoxy;

is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, naphthyl and acenaphthyl;

p is an integer from 0 to 5;

R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxy substituted C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkoxy, nitro, cyano, NR¹R², trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, -SO-NR¹R², -SO₂-NR¹R² and -C(O)-NR¹R²;

q is an integer from 0 to 1;

 R^6 is selected from the group consisting of -(L^2)₀₋₁- R^7 ;

 $L^2 \text{ is selected from the group consisting of -C}_{1-6}\text{alkyl-, -C}_{2-4}\text{alkenyl-, -C}_{2-6}\text{alkynyl-, -C}_{1-6}\text{alkyl-O-, -C}_{1-6}\text{alkyl-S-, -O-C}_{1-6}\text{alkyl-, -S-C}_{1-6}\text{alkyl-, -O-C}_{2-6}\text{alkyl-O-, -S-C}_{2-6}\text{alkyl-S-, -SO}_{2}\text{NH-, -SO}_{2}\text{N(C}_{1-4}\text{alkyl)-, -NH-SO}_{2-}, -N(C}_{1-4}\text{alkyl)-SO}_{2-}, -C(O)-O-\text{ and -O-C}_{2-6}\text{alkyl-S-, -SO}_{2-6}\text{nd}_$

 R^7 is selected from the group consisting of aryl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl and heterocycloalkyl; wherein the aryl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^E)_2$, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, $-SO_2$ - $N(R^E)_2$ and -C(O)- $N(R^E)_2$;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. (Currently Amended) A compound as in Claim 1 wherein

$$R^{A} OH$$
 $-\xi - C - C - (CR^{C}R^{D})_{1-3} - X$
 $R^{B} R^{A}$

each R^{C} and R^{D} is independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy or aryl; wherein the aryl is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano or $N(R^{E})_{2}$;

X is -NR¹R²:

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, aryl, arC₁₋₄alkyl, arC₁₋₄alkyloxy, cycloalkyl-alkyl and C(O)-C₁₋₄alkyl;

wherein the C_{1-4} alkyl, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl or cycloalkyl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $N(R^E)_2$, $N(R^E)_2$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, $N(R^E)$ - $C(O)OC(CH_3)_3$, nitro, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, phenyl, phenoxy, heteroaryl, cycloalkyl, 1-phenyl-pyrazol-2-yl-aminosulfonyl or C_{1-4} alkylthio;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, cycloalkyl, cycloalkyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, arVl, arC₁₋₄alkyl, arC₁₋₄alkyloxy, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, partically unsaturated carbocyclyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, -C(O)- C_{1-4} alkyl, -C(O)-arVl, -C(O)-arC₁₋₄alkyl, -C(O)O-cycloalkyl and -C(OO)- C_{1-4} alkyl;

wherein the C_{1-4} alkyl, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl or cycloalkyl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $N(R^E)_2$, $N(R^E)_2$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, (CH₃)₃COC(O)- $N(R^E)$ - C_{1-4} -alkyl, nitro, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, phenyl, phenoxy, heteroaryl, cycloalkyl, 1-phenyl substituted heteroaryl-aminosulfonyl, -C(O)- C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} -alkylthio;

R³ is aryl; wherein the aryl is optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, cyano or N(R^E)₂;

n is an integer from 0 to 1;

L¹ is C₁₋₄alkyl; wherein the C₁₋₄alkyl group is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from hydroxy, fluoro, C₁₋₄alkyl, fluorinated C₁₋₄alkyl or C₁₋₄alkoxy;

 R^5 is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^E)_2$, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, - SO- $N(R^E)_2$, -SO₂- $N(R^E)_2$ and -C(O)- $N(R^E)_2$;

 L^2 -is selected from the group consisting of $-C_{1-4}$ alkyl-, -O-, -S-, $-N(R^E)$ -, -C(O)O-and -O--C(O)-;

 R^{2} is selected from the group consisting of cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocycloalkyl; wherein the aryl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^{E})_{2}$, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. (Currently Amended) A compound as in Claim 2 wherein

R⁰ is selected from the group consisting of

$$R^{A}$$
 OH $-\xi$ — C — C — C — C CR^{C} $CR^{D})_{1-3}$ — X

each RA, RB, RC and RD is hydrogen;

X is $-NR^1R^2$;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkyl, arC₁₋₄alkyl and C(O)-C₁₋₄alkyl;

wherein the C₁₋₄alkyl or aryl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from carboxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, N(R^E)₂ or N(R^E)-C(O)OC(CH₃)₃;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, cycloalkyl, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, ar C_{1-4} alkyloxy, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, cycloalkyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, -C(O)ar C_{1-4} alkyl, -C(O)-cycloalkyl and -C(O)O- C_{1-4} alkyl;

wherein the C₁-₄alkyl, aryl, arC₁-₄alkyl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl-or cycloalkyl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted

with one to three substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $N(R^E)_2$, $N(R^E)_2$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, $(CH_3)_3$ CO-C(O)- $N(R^E)$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, nitro, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, phenyl, phenoxy, heteroaryl, cycloalkyl, 1-phenyl-pyrazol-2-yl-aminosulfonyl or C_{1-4} alkylthio;

R³ is aryl; wherein the aryl group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from halogen;

n is 0;

L1 is C1-4alkyl;

 R^5 is selected from the group consisting of halogen, C_{1-4} alkyl and trifluoromethyl; R^6 is $-(L^2)_0$ $-R^7$;

R² is selected from the group consisting of aryl and heteroaryl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. (Currently Amended) A compound as in Claim 3 wherein

R⁰ is selected from the group consisting of -CH₂-CH(OH)-CH₂-X and -CH₂-CH₂-CH(OH)-CH₂-X;

 $X \text{ is -NR}^1 R^2$;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, n-butyl, t-butyl, amino-n-propyl, dimethylaminoethyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, 4-methyl-benzyl,

, 2-(3,4-dimethoxy-phenyl)ethyl, 3-methyl-

phenyl, ethoxy-carbonyl-methyl, 2-amino-2-methoxycarbonyl-ethyl, t-butoxycarbonyl

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, methoxy, ethyl, carboxy-methyl, ethoxycarbonylmethyl, 2,2,2,-triluoroethyl, ethoxy, dimethylaminoethyl, t-butoxycarbonylamino-ethyl, n-butyl, t-butyl, n-propyl, 3-hydroxy-n-propyl, 3-methoxy-npropyl, methylamino-n-propyl, dimethylamino-n-propyl, di(n-butyl)amino-n-propyl, tbutoxycarbonylamino-n-propyl, 3-phenyl-n-propyl, 3-(2-pyridyl)-n-propyl, tbutoxycarbonyl, cyclopropyl, phenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 3,4dimethoxyphenyl, 2-aminophenyl, 4-biphenyl, 2-ethoxyphenyl, 4-((1-phenyl-pyrazol-2yl)-aminosulfonyl)-phenyl, 4-cyclohexylphenyl, 4-(aminoethyl)phenyl, 4-(tbutoxycarbonylamino-ethyl)-phenyl, -CH(CH₃)-phenyl, benzyl, benzyloxy, 2methylbenzyl, 3-methylbenzyl, 4-methylbenzyl, 2-methoxybenzyl, 3-methoxybenzyl, 4methoxybenzyl, 2-ethoxybenzyl, 3-ethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, 3-bromobenzyl, 4bromobenzyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-chlorobenzyl), 3-iodobenzyl, 2-fluorobenzyl, 3fluorobenzyl, 4-fluorobenzyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 3-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4-trifluoromethoxybenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonylbenzyl, 2,3dimethoxybenzyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl, 2,4-difluorobenzyl, 2,5difluorobenzyl, 3.4-difluorobenzyl, 3.4.5-trimethoxybenzyl, 2.4.6-trimethoxybenzyl, 4carboxybenzyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4-nitrobenzyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,4-difluorobenzyl, 3,5-di(trifluoromethyl)benzyl, 4-(dimethylamino)benzyl, 2-phenylethyl, 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl, 2-(3methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(2nitro-4,5-dimethoxy-phenyl)ethyl, 1-adamantanyl, 1-adamantanyl-methyl, 1-naphthyl, 1naphthyl-methyl, 1-phenyl-2-(t-butoxycarbonyl)ethyl, -C(O)-C(OCH₃)(CF₃)-phenyl, -

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{H}_{3}\text{C} \\ \text{C(O)O-(2-isopropyl-5-methyl-cyclohexyl),} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{H}_{3}\text{C} \\ \text{H}_{3}\text{C} \end{array}$$

$$H_3C$$
 H_3C
 H_3C

, 2S-hydroxy-S-cyclopentyl-methyl, 2S-hydroxy-S-

cyclohexyl-methyl, 2S-hydroxy-S-cycloheptyl-methyl, 2-phenoxy-ethyl and 2-phenyl-cyclopropyl;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 4-fluorophenyl; L¹ is selected from the group consisting of -CH₂-, -CH(CH₃)- and -CH₂CH₂-;

is selected from the group consisting of 1-acenaphthenyl, R-1-acenaphthenyl, S-1-acenaphthenyl, phenyl, 1-naphthyl, and 2-naphthyl and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-naphthyl;

R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of chloro, methyl, n-propyl and trifluoromethyl;

R² is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 2-thienyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

(Currently Amended) A compound as in Claim 4 wherein X is -NR¹R²;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, n-

butyl, t-butyl, dimethylaminoethyl, benzyl, phenylethyl,

, 3-methyl-phenyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-ethyl,

ethoxycarbonyl-methyl, dimethylamino-ethyl and 2-amino-2-methoxycarbonyl-ethyl;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, methoxy, ethyl, ethoxycarbonyl-methyl, 2,2,2-triluoroethyl, ethoxy, dimethylaminoethyl, n-butyl, t-butyl, n-propyl, di(n-butyl)amino-n-propyl, 3-phenyl-n-propyl, cyclopropyl, phenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 2-aminophenyl, 4-(t-butoxycarbonylamino-ethyl)-phenyl,

3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 4-biphenyl, 2-ethoxyphenyl, 4-(aminoethyl)-phenyl, benzyl, benzyloxy, 2-methylbenzyl, 3-methylbenzyl, 4-methylbenzyl, 2-methoxybenzyl, 3-methoxybenzyl, 4-methoxybenzyl, 2-ethoxybenzyl, 3-ethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, 3-bromobenzyl, 4-bromobenzyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-chlorobenzyl, 3-iodobenzyl, 2-fluorobenzyl, 3-fluorobenzyl, 4-fluorobenzyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 3-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonyl-benzyl, 2,3-dimethoxybenzyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl, 2,4-difluorobenzyl, 2,5-difluorobenzyl, 3,4-difluorobenzyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyl, 2,4,6-trimethoxybenzyl, 4-carboxybenzyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4-nitrobenzyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,5-di(trifluoromethyl)-benzyl, 2-phenylethyl, 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl, 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(2-nitro-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 1-naphthyl, 1-napht

$$H_3C$$
 H_3C
 H_3C

, 2S-hydroxy-S-cyclopentyl-methyl, 2S-hydroxy-S-

cyclohexyl-methyl, 2S-hydroxy-S-cycloheptyl-methyl and 2-phenoxy-ethyl;

L¹ is selected from the group consisting of –CH₂- and –CH₂-CH₂-;

is selected from the group consisting of 1-acenaphthenyl, R-1-acenaphthenyl, S-1-acenaphthenyl, phenyl-and 1-naphthyl;

p is an integer from 0 to 2;

R⁷-is-2-thienyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. $\,\cdot\,$

6. (Previously Presented) A compound as in Claim 5 wherein

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, n-butyl, t-butyl, dimethylaminoethyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-ethyl,

$$V_{NH_2}^{O}$$
 and

dimethylamino-ethyl, ethoxycarbonyl-methyl,

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, methoxy, ethyl, ethoxycarbonyl-methyl, ethoxy, dimethylaminoethyl, n-butyl, n-propyl, di(n-butyl)aminon-propyl, 3-phenyl-n-propyl, 3-(2-pyridyl)-n-propyl, cyclopropyl, phenyl, 4-fluorophenyl, 4-methylphenyl, 2-aminophenyl, 3,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 4-(t-butoxycarbonylamino-ethyl)phenyl, 4-biphenyl, 2-ethoxyphenyl, 4-(aminoethyl)-phenyl, benzyl, benzyloxy, 2methylbenzyl, 3-methylbenzyl, 4-methylbenzyl, 2-methoxybenzyl, 3-methoxybenzyl, 4methoxybenzyl, 2-ethoxybenzyl, 3-ethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, 3-bromobenzyl, 4bromobenzyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-chlorobenzyl, 3-iodobenzyl, 2-fluorobenzyl, 3fluorobenzyl, 4-fluorobenzyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 3-trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4trifluoromethylbenzyl, 4-trifluoromethoxybenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonyl-benzyl, 2,3dimethoxybenzyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl, 2,4-difluorobenzyl, 2,5difluorobenzyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyl, 2,4,6-trimethoxybenzyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4nitrobenzyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 3,4difluorobenzyl, 3,5-di(trifluoromethyl)-benzyl, 2-phenylethyl, 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl, 2-(3-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-(2nitro-4,5-dimethoxy-phenyl)ethyl, 1-adamantanyl, 1-adamantanyl-methyl, 1-naphthyl, 1-

, 2S-hydroxy-S-cyclopentyl-methyl,

2S-hydroxy-S-cyclohexyl-methyl, 2S-hydroxy-S-cycloheptyl-methyl and 2-phenoxy-ethyl;

p is an integer from 0 to 1;

R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of methyl, n-propyl and trifluoromethyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) A compound as in Claim 4 wherein

 R^0 is -CH₂-CH(OH)-CH₂-X;

X is-NR¹R²;

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 1-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-n-ethyl and amino-n-propyl;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, n-butyl, 3-hydroxyn-propyl, 3-methoxy-n-propyl, methylamino-n-propyl, dimethylamino-n-propyl, t-butoxycarbonylamino-n-propyl, N-methyl-N-t-butoxycarbonyl-amino-n-ethyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonyl-benzyl and -CH(CH₃)-phenyl;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and 4-fluorophenyl;

L¹ is selected from the group consisting of -CH₂- and -CH₂CH₂-;

is selected from the group consisting 1-naphthyl, 1-acenaphthenyl, R-1-acenaphthenyl;

p is an integer from 0 to 1;

R⁵ is methyl;

a is 0;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. (Previously Presented) A compound as in Claim 7 wherein

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, 1-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-n-ethyl and amino-n-propyl;

R² is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, n-butyl, 3-hydroxy-n-propyl, 3-methoxy-n-propyl, methylamino-n-propyl, dimethylamino-n-propyl, N-methyl-N-t-butoxycarbonyl-amino-n-ethyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonyl-benzyl and -CH(CH₃)-phenyl;

is selected from the group consisting 1-naphthyl, 1-acenaphthenyl, R-1-acenaphthenyl and S-1-acenaphthenyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 9. (Previously Presented) A compound as in Claim 1 selected from the group consisting of
- 8-(R) acenaphthen-1-yl-3-(3-amino-2-(S)-hydroxy-propyl)-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 8-(R) acenaphthen-1-yl-3-(3-amino-2-(R)-hydroxy-propyl)-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 8-(R)-Acenaphthen-1-yl-3-(3-dimethylamino-2-(R)-hydroxy-propyl)-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 3-(3-Amino-2-(R)-hydroxy-propyl)-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-8-(8-methyl-naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 3-(3-Dimethylamino-2-(R)-hydroxy-propyl)-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-8-(8-methyl-naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 1-(4-Fluoro-phenyl)-3-[2-(R)-hydroxy-3-(3-hydroxy-propylamino)-propyl]-8-(8-methyl-naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 1-(4-Fluoro-phenyl)-3-[2-(R)-hydroxy-3-(3-methylamino-propylamino)-propyl]-8-(8-methyl-naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one;
- 3-[3-(3-Dimethylamino-propylamino)-2-(R)-hydroxy-propyl]-1-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-8-(8-methyl-naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-1,3,8-triaza-spiro[4.5]decan-4-one and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

10. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula (I)

$$R^3$$
 N
 O
 $(R^4)_n$
 (I)
 $(R^5)_p$
 $(R^6)_q$

wherein

 $-\xi \stackrel{R^{\wedge} \ OH}{-C - C} (CR^{C}R^{D})_{1-3} - X$ $R^{0} \text{ is selected from the group consisting of } R^{B} R^{A} \qquad \text{and}$

each R^A and R^B is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and $C_{1\text{--}4}$ alkyl;

each R^C and R^D is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^E)_2$, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl; wherein the aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl substituent is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, nitro, cyano or $N(R^E)_2$;

each R^E is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C₁. ₄alkyl;

 $X \text{ is -NR}^1 R^2$;

each R^1 and R^2 is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_{1-8} alkyl, C_{1-8} alkoxy, cycloalkyl, cycloalkyl- C_{1-4} alkyl, partially unsaturated carbocylyl, aryl, ar C_{1-4} alkyl, ar C_{1-4} alkoxy, -C(O)- C_{1-6} alkyl, -C(O)-aryl and -C(O)-ar C_{1-4} alkyl; wherein

the C_{1-8} alkyl, cycloalkyl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, aryl or ar C_{1-8} alkyl group, whether alone or part of a substituent group, is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, cyano, -C(O)- C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $N(R^E)_2$, $N(R^E)_2$ - C_{1-4} alkyl, $N(R^E)$ -C(O)C(CH₃)₃, aryl, aryloxy, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl, aryl substituted heteroarylaminosulfonyl or C_{1-6} alkylthio;

R³ is aryl; wherein the aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, cyano or N(R^E)₂;

n is an integer from 0 to 2;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C₁₋₄alkyl and hydroxy substituted C₁₋₄alkyl;

m is an integer from 0 to 1;

 L^1 is selected from the group consisting of C_{1-6} alkyl and C_{3-6} alkenyl; wherein the double bond of the C_{3-6} alkenyl group is at least one carbon atom removed from the attachment point to the N atom; and wherein the C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{3-6} alkenyl group is optionally substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from hydroxy, fluoro, C_{1-6} alkyl, fluorinated C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{1-6} alkyl;



is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, naphthyl and acenaphthyl;

p is an integer from 0 to 5;

 R^5 is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, NR^1R^2 , trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, - $SO-NR^1R^2$, - $SO_2-NR^1R^2$ and - $C(O)-NR^1R^2$;

q is an integer from 0-to-1;

 R^6 is selected from the group consisting of -(L^2)₀₋₁- R^7 ;

 L^2 is selected from the group consisting of $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-, $-C_{2-4}$ alkenyl-, $-C_{2-6}$ alkynyl-, -O-, -S-, -NH-, $-N(C_{1-6}$ alkyl)-, $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-O-, $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-S-, -O- $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl-, -S- $-C_{1-6}$ al

 C_{2-6} alkyl-O-, -S- C_{2-6} alkyl-S-, -SO₂-, -SO₂NH-, -SO₂N(C_{1-4} alkyl)-, -NH-SO₂-, -N(C_{1-4} alkyl)- SO₂-, -C(O)-O- and -O-C(O)-;

 R^7 is selected from the group consisting of aryl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl and heterocycloalkyl; wherein the aryl, partially unsaturated carbocyclyl, cycloalkyl, heteroaryl or heterocycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from hydroxy, carboxy, halogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, nitro, cyano, $N(R^E)_2$, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl, $-SO_2$ - $N(R^E)_2$ and -C(O)- $N(R^E)_2$;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 11. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a compound of Claim 1.
- 12. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition made by mixing a compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 13. (Original) A process for making a pharmaceutical composition comprising mixing a compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 14-21. (Withdrawn)